



Music: Year 7 Overview

Topic 1: Core Skills

Students are introduced music and rhythmic notation. They develop body percussion skills and basic knowledge of the keyboard. They will complete a solo performance task on the keyboards demonstrating their skill level.

Topic 2: Keyboard Skills

Students develop what they learnt in the core skills unit and begin learning a more challenging keyboard piece. They create their own arrangement of the piece using the musical elements and begin to understand how different styles are created.

Topic 3: African Drumming

Students learn the core features of African Drumming music and learn about its origin and context. They use this knowledge to compose their own pieces of music and they develop teamwork and leadership skills in order to create a successful and creative drumming performance as a group.

Topic 4: Medieval Music

This unit introduces students to composing melodic ideas, whilst learning about the features of Medieval Music. They will look at using scales to create melodies and further develop their knowledge of music theory in order to write and perform their work.

Topic 5: The Musical Elements

Students develop their knowledge of the musical elements in a series of lessons about the fundamental building blocks of music. They create a group composition in a band and demonstrate each element through their composing and performing ideas.